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REIMBURSABLE PROCEDURES

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### **NWS Reimbursable Procedures**

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- 1. Introduction: The purpose of this procedure is to prescribe the responsibilities for the establishment and administration of reimbursable programs. The guidance listed in this procedure is in accordance with National Oceanic & Atmospheric Administration (NOAA) Policy and Reimbursable Process User Procedures published by the Commerce Administrative Management System (CAMS) Program Office.
- 2. Responsible Officials: The officials listed below are responsible for ensuring that the procedures prescribed by NOAA are followed.
- 2.1 Staff and Office Directors, Regional Directors, Director NCEP, and Program Directors will:
  - ensure internal controls as outlined in the most recent DOC Internal Control a. Handbook are in place;
  - b. ensure responsible staff is trained;
  - ensure appropriate program and staff fully comply with statutory and regulatory c. requirements for interagency and special agreements;
  - d. ensure signed agreement is in place by October 1 of each year;
  - provide Letter of Intent for agreements that are not signed or in place by October e. 1 of each year;
  - f. ensure multi-year agreements contain a provision for review at least every three years to determine whether they should be revised, renewed or cancelled; and
  - ensure each agreement is executed by the appropriate approving official. g.

#### 2.2. Program/Project Managers will:

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- a. serve as the primary individual negotiating and developing an agreement and any amendments to the agreement;
- b. conduct advance planning, draft agreements, schedule coordination meetings;
- c. prepare and develop draft agreements;
- d. brief the approving official and/or other appropriate officials (orally or in writing through staff memorandum);
- e. prepare Determination of Findings in accordance with Federal Acquisition Regulation (FAR) 17.503 for Economy Act Agreements and obtain Procurement Authority signature;
- f. ensure all agreements contain the proper legal citation, documentation, justifications, legal reviews and clearances;
- g. provide one original and three copies of the signed agreement with supporting documentation for all agreements including special agreements (grants), no-cost agreements, amendments, modifications and/or terminations;
- h. prepare Reimbursable Project Allotment/Unfilled Customer Order (UCO) Request Acceptance Data Sheet and carry over certification form;
- i. monitor performance, progress, billing (tracking relevant costs) for each reimbursable agreement; and
- j. maintain an official file for each agreement, including supporting documentation.

# 2.3. <u>Administrative Support Staff for Program Offices, NCEP, Regions and the office of the Chief Financial Officer</u> will:

- a. approve the receipt of reimbursements and advances from a sponsoring agency;
- b. review agreements to ensure all required documentation is included;
- c. assist Program/Project Managers in developing budgets and preparing paperwork for proposed agreements, as requested;
- d. provide liaison with the respective budget offices for each party to the agreement;
- e. ensure funding availability has been determined by appropriate authority; and
- f. distribute originals and copies of the Reimbursable Project Allotment/UCO Request Data Sheet to CFO2 for processing.